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1. IN EMBOFF'S PRESENCE MAY 8, GERMAN AMBASSADOR NEUMANN TOLD UAE PRESIDENTIAL CHAMBERLAIN SHAIKH SUROOR BIN MOHAMMAD AL NAHAYYAN THAT HE HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM GERMAN AUTHORTIES WHICH HE WISHED TO PASS TO SUROOR. ACCORDING TO GERMAN SOURCES, WADI HADDAD'S EXTREMIST PALESTINIAN FACTION HAD SET UP, BEFORE HADDAD'S REPORTED RECENT DEATH, AN INTELLIGENCE AND COURIER NETWORK ACTIVE IN THE UAE TO GATHER INFORMATION ON OIL FIELD SECURITY. A PARTICULARLY NOTABLE ASPECT OF THIS REPORTED OPERATION IS THAT EUROPEANS ARE ACTING AS COURIERS UNDERCOVER OF EMPLOYMENT FOR EUROPEAN CONSULTING FIRM BASED IN ATHENS WITH INTERESTS IN AREA. IN SIDE COMMENT, AMBASSADOR WONDERED WHETHER HADDAD REALLY HAD  
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DIED IN EAST GERMANY HOSPITAL AS REPORTED IN PRESS OR SIMPLY HAD GONE UNDERGROUND IN METAPHORICAL SENSE. PRESIDENTIAL CHAMBERLAIN DIGESTED INFORMATION SOBERLY AND COMMENTED THAT TIGHT VISA RESTRICTIONS ON ENTRY INTO UAE WILL SURELY BE CONTINUED IN EFFECT.

2. COMMENT: GERMAN AMBASSADOR'S INTELLIGENCE WILL NO DOUBT CONTRIBUTE TO UAE FEDERAL OFFICIALS' DETERMINATION TO IMPROVE

SECURITY AROUND VITAL OIL AND PETROCHEMICAL INSTALLATIONS. APRIL 30-MAY 2 VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA BY HIGH-LEVEL MISSION OF POLICE AND INTERNAL SECURITY OFFICIALS HEADED BY MINISTER OF INTERIOR SHAIKH MUBARAK BIN MUHAMMAD PROBABLY HAD AS ONE OF ITS AIMS DISCUSSIONS WITH SAUDIS ABOUT COOPERATION IN FIELD OF OIL INDUSTRY SECURITY. WE NOTE ALSO RECENT BEIRUT PRESS REPORTS, REPEATED IN MAY 6 EDITION OF GULF WEEKLY MIRROR, THAT EVEN ARAB AND GULF STATES ARE PLANNING TO SET UP REGIONAL OIL INSTALLATION SECURITY SYSTEM TO PROVIDE FOR EXCHANGE OF INTELLIGENCE ON TERRORIST THREATS. ARTICLE CLAIMS UNIDENTIFIED GOVERNMENT SOURCES ACKNOWLEDGE THAT COOPERATING GOVERNMENTS MAY RECRUIT OUTSIDE EXPERTISE AND WORK WITH NON-REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICES, INCLUDING INTERPOL, TO THAT END. THIS SOUT OF LIMITED COOPERATION IN RESPONSE TO PERCEIVED COMMON THREAT MAY BE SORT OF SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS SAUDIS ARE ALLEGEDLY DISCUSSING WITH OUTHER ARAB GULF STATES (JIDDA 2867-NOTAL).  
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